

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)
U.S. Appln. No. 10/729,441 (A8689)

REMARKS

Claims 11, 14-18, 22, 26-38, 41-42, 44-60 and 62-63 are in the application. Solely to expedite prosecution and without prejudice or disclaimer, Applicants herewith amend Claims 27, 59 and 60. Applicants reserve the right to pursue all unclaimed subject matter.

Vis-à-vis U.S. Patent Application No. 10/170,390, now Patent No. 7,538,195, Applicants respectfully direct the office's attention to the teachings, *inter alia*, at pages 11, 16, 24-27 and Figure 27. The specification teaches that synergy is obtained with the present invention. The presently claimed invention is patentable under 35 U.S.C. § 103. *In re Soni*, 54 F.3d 746, 34 USPQ 2d 1684 (Fed. Cir. 1995).

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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